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## Post ISD trustees open bids for new gymnasium

Bids for the high school gymnasium project have been opened, and Post Independent School District officials hope to decide on individual contractors for the project next week.

On April 4, bids were opened; however, no plumbing bids were received, according to Superintendent Dr. Bobby Bain. District officials made some phone calls and learned that because a couple of Lubbock plumbing supply houses were in the process of "changing hands," supply prices could not be firmed up in time for potential contractors to organize and submit bids. Since that time, the school district has readvertised for bids for the plumbing portion of the project and is now accepting such bids.

All bids have been turned over to the school district's construction management firm, which is reviewing the details of each bid and ensuring bidders are qualified to handle the jobs they have bid on, Bain said.

The construction management firm representative is expected to meet with school district officials April 18 to review the prospective contractors and bids. Trustees should make their final decisions on contractors at that session.

Bain said as soon as bids have been awarded, dirt work on the project should begin almost immediately.

The construction project is expected to take 12-15 months to complete, and district officials are hoping the new facility will be completed in time for commencement exercises for the Class of 2001.

"We would love it if we could graduate 2001 in the new gym," Bain said.



### State Bound

Josh Fumagalli (left) and Amy Pedersen earned berths in state competition following their first division rating at the District U.I.L. Solo and Ensemble contest February 19. Josh competes in alto sax and Amy competes in xylophone. They will vie for state titles May 28 at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

## Two hospital board incumbents face two challengers in May 6 election

Four candidates will vie for the two open positions on the hospital district's board of directors in the May 6 election.

Candidates will include the incumbents, David Tyler and Michael Travis, and two challengers, Maria Berta Fuentes and Betty Nelson Striblin.

Candidate filings closed Monday. Early voting in the election will run April 19 through 5 p.m. May 2 at the hospital district facility.

## Saturday turkey shoot to benefit 4-H program

A turkey shoot set to begin at 11 a.m. Saturday near Post will benefit the Garza County 4-H Shotgun Sports program.

Cost will be \$4 per game, with one buy back included and half back to the winner. The Annie Oakley Championship will begin at 1 p.m. Entry fee is \$20, 100 percent payback.

The Garza County 4-H Shotgun Sports will have concessions and shells available at the site. Restrooms also will be available.

The shoot will be held nine miles west of Post at Monk Palmer's 2NP Gun Club on Highway 380 behind Mason's Farm & Ranch Supply. For more information, call Ray Mason at 495-2776.

## Judge declares Child Abuse Prevention Month

Garza County Judge Giles W. Dalby has proclaimed April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

"Children are our leaders of tomorrow, but we are their future today," said Dalby. "We believe preventing child abuse and neglect is the responsibility of every caring community member. It's up to all of us to make Garza County and Texas a better place to raise children."

The proclamation reads:

"Whereas, thousands of cases of child abuse and neglect are confirmed in Texas, and child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among

all people. Communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families. Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, religious organizations, law enforcement agencies and the business community. And Y2K means 'yes to kids,' and everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents raise their children in a safe, nurturing atmosphere."

The document was dated April 10 and urges all local residents to "work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly for years to come."

## Live morning news show debuts on Post City Radio beginning Monday

Post City Radio, operating on Classic Cable Channel 17, will begin a live, morning local news show on Monday, April 17. The news program will feature Thomas Zachary at the microphone weekday mornings at 7 a.m.

Zachary will provide local news and interviews during the morning news show. "We are very pleased to introduce this new service," managing director Wesley W. Burnett says. "In addition to our regular schedule of music, news, live sports coverage and severe weather reports, this daily live news program will be a welcome addition to our programming schedule."

Zachary is also broadcasting play-by-play live action of Post Antelope baseball games on Friday evenings.

"We wish to express our sincere appreciation to our advertisers and to Classic Cable," Burnett added, "without their support, we could not provide this valuable service to our community."

Tune in to Classic Cable Channel 17 for great music, local news and now, live news every weekday morning from 7 to 8 a.m., beginning Monday, April 17.

"As soon as we work out some technical problems," Burnett said, "we'll also be available on the Internet with the same programming."

## Post Notes

### GCJLA annual meeting

The Garza County Jr. Livestock Association will hold its annual meeting Tuesday, April 18, 7:30 p.m. at the Extension Office. Items on the agenda include officer and superintendent elections, selection of judges for 2001, annual financial report, and plans for 2000-01. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the association is invited to attend. Voting dues are \$25 a year.

### Benefit to help Delaney Fluitt

A benefit will be held at the Holy Cross Catholic Church on Saturday, April 15 help cover medical expenses for Delaney Fluitt. The benefit dinner plates are \$5 per plate and include three gorditas, rice, beans, hot sauce and tea. A bake sale will also be available. Delaney was born with a heart condition and has to have open heart surgery in Fort Worth. She will need to remain in Cook Memorial Children's Hospital for an unknown length of time. Delaney is the daughter of Patrick and Amy Fluitt.

### Candlelight vigil 6 p.m. Saturday

A candlelight vigil in support of the crime victims will be held Saturday at 6 p.m. on the Courthouse lawn. The service is presented by the Victim's Assistance Program. A reception will follow at the Post Community Center.

### Donations sought for foster children

First United Methodist Church is seeking donations of luggage, duffle bags and such for foster children in Garza and Lubbock counties. Drop off items at the church office, 123 N. Avenue K or call 495-2942, Pixie will pick them up.

### Art Guild sets art show April 28-30

The annual Post Art Guild sponsored Art Show will be held April 28, 29 and 30 at the Algerita Art Center on East Main Street. Entries will be accepted April 25 and morning of April 26. A patrons reception will be held Thursday, April 27 at 6:30 p.m., with the show open to the public Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Awards will be presented Sunday afternoon.

### Census forms at City Hall

Anyone who didn't receive a census form in the mail, or who has been missed in the census count, may obtain a census form at City Hall during regular business hours.

### Live morning news show

Post City Radio begins a live morning news show Monday, April 17 at 7 a.m. to be aired Monday through Friday on Classic Cable Channel 17. The show features local news and events, weather and special reports.

### Clean up, fix up, paint up

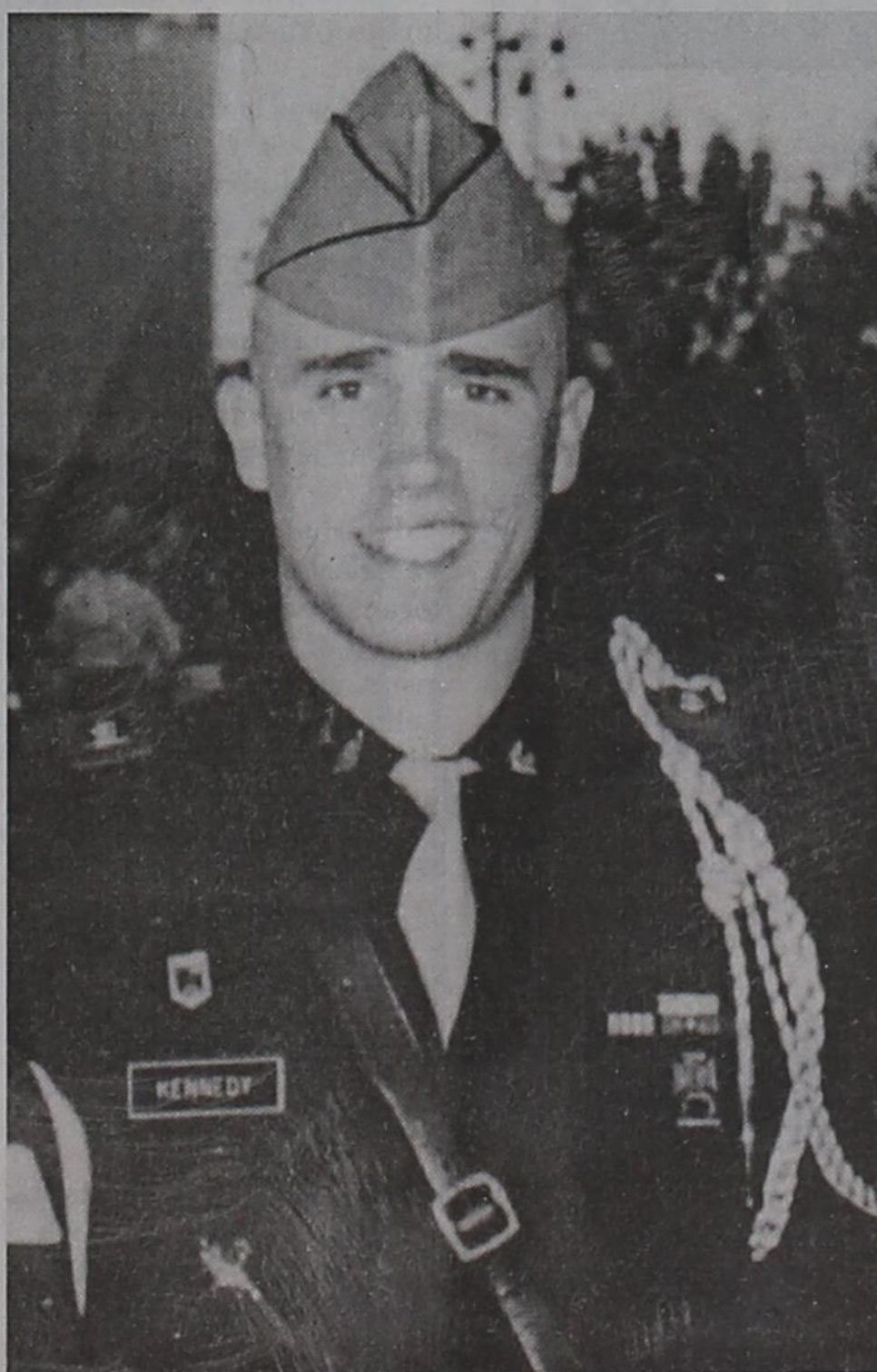
The City of Post is sponsoring a voluntary campaign to promote Spring Cleaning around the homes of citizens. Citizens are encouraged to clean any accumulated weeds or debris, including junked or abandoned cars. Those needing assistance should call 495-2811.

### Scholastic Book Fair May 1-5

The Post Elementary School will host the Scholastic Book Fair in the Media Center May 1-5. Parent Family Night will be held Tuesday, May 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. All parents are invited to "join the fun and excitement and children read to succeed," librarian Connie Flores says.

### College financial aid info

A meeting will be held Thursday, April 13 at the Holy Cross Catholic church to assist high school seniors or adults planning to attend college next fall. The church is located at West Main and Avenue K. Those interested should call 495-2791 for an appointment. Rosie Lazada of Learn Educational Opportunity Center will be available to answer questions.



Clayton Kennedy in his Texas A&M Cadet uniform.

## Kennedy family grieves over Lt. Clayton Kennedy's death in Marine aircraft accident

by Wes Burnett

Word arrived earlier this week that 2nd Lt. Clayton Kennedy of Clifton was one of the Marines killed in an aircraft accident in Arizona. Kennedy was the eldest son of Dick and Celia Kennedy of Clifton, formerly of Post.

The young Marine officer was the grandson of Jack Kennedy and nephew of Gene and Yvonne Kennedy of Post.

The aircraft accident involved a Marine V-22 Osprey. An investigation continues. At presstime Tuesday, no date or time for services had been announced.

Lt Kennedy was a 1999 graduate of Texas A&M University, where he served as Commander of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band. After graduation, Kennedy entered Officers' Training School at Quantico, Virginia and after commissioning was transferred to Camp Pendleton, California.

He is survived by his wife of six months, Shari; parents Dick and Celia Kennedy, sister Cara Davis and brother Clif Kennedy.

During his sophomore year (1997) at Texas A&M, Lt Kennedy was selected for summers studies in Russia. He was a political science major and in 1999 was chosen to study at the George Bush School of Government.



JoAnn Mock (left) and Linda Puckett.

## Mock, Puckett represent county at Tech workshop

Jo Ann Mock and Linda Puckett represented Garza County at the March 30 Associates Program Workshop sponsored by the Southwest Collections/Special Collections Library at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

The day-long workshop, entitled "An Introduction to Oral History," emphasized techniques used in arranging and conducting oral histories. The workshop was designed to encourage the collecting of local historical resources by means of tape-recorded interviews.

The Associates Program is a network of local historians working in cooperation with the Special Collection's Oral History Program to acquire and archive oral histories and locate manuscript resources. The Oral History Program administers and coordinates the project; provides training, equipment and supplies; arranges for publicity; and provides cataloging, indexing and permanent archival storage for oral history tapes and manuscripts. The associates volunteer their time and transportation to attend workshops, arrange and conduct interviews and complete accompanying forms.

The program is funded by the Southwest Collection and by a grant from the Helen Jones Foundation.

For more information on the program, contact David Marshall or Steve Bogener at the Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library, Texas Tech University, at 806-742-3749.

## Southland students excell at science fair

Five Southland Independent School District students walked away with honors from the recent South Plains Regional Science and Engineering Fair.

Kelly Butler and the 'Making Glue' display received a third place in the physical science contest, an honorable mention for Outstanding Project presented by the Army and a third place overall trophy for 10th grade physical science project.

David Martinez and his 'Desert Ecosystem' display took a third place division three Texas Parks and Wildlife Conservationist Award and a first place 10th grade biology

award. He also was presented with a backpack from the Army.

Rebecca Cardona and her 'Mold Display' received second place in the 10th grade biology competition and honorable mention for Outstanding Project presented by the Army.

Zach Ford and his 'Water Conservation' project received a third place award for 10th grade biology.

T.J. Kitten and his 'Artificial Water Environment' display earned a second place finish in the 11th grade biology contest and a first place in the 11th grade biology division presented by the Army.



Elsie M. Graham and Nahum M. Sullivan were married April 7, 1950 at Bethel Tabernacle in Lubbock. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the 50 Yard Line restaurant with their son and niece.

## Judy's Jabberin'

By Judy B. Bush



Such a sad story this week concerning the Dick Kennedy family. To Dick and his wife Celia and to Jack here in Post, my prayers are with you.

Dick is such a good person from a good family, it makes you wonder why, tho we are not suppose to question. At any rate, it really makes you stop and realize, appreciate your life.

### Houseful

Lois Childs recently had a full house and I'm sure she loved every minute of it.

Her nephew and his wife, Dennis and Dianne Custer of Ft. Collins, Colorado were here for the weekend. Dennis's dad was Gomer Custer, a former resident of Post.

Lois's family had lost touch with Dennis after his fathers death and though Lois and Dennis's mother continued to correspond, it had been forty years since everyone had seen Dennis.

Lois's daughter, Julia, was doing a family genealogy project and found Dennis' address and as Julia says, "the rest is history".

Dennis and his wife came for Easter last year and have visited several other times. I know this means a lot to Lois.

Other guests that weekend were: Nedra and Jim Ellis, Mandy, Joe, Abby and Ally Guerrero all from Amarillo. Leslie and Caitlyn Prather and Skipper Prather from Lubbock. Skipper's friend, Suzanne Robey from Nottingham, England was also a guest.

### Wedding Trip

Rick and I enjoyed out fast trip to San Antonio to attend the wedding of my niece, Amy Ballentine.

Mom (Fannie Ballentine) and Krisha and Zach were also in attendance. It was nice to spend the time with my brother and his wife June and I know he was relieved that was the last one to marry off!

It was beautiful and green there but from Colorado City on passed San Angelo it is so dry. Maybe more rain is in store.

### E-Mail

A blond had just totaled her car in a horrific accident. Miraculously, she managed to pry herself from the wreckage without a scratch and was applying fresh lipstick when the state trooper arrived. "My gosh!" the trooper gasped. "Your car looks like an accordion that an elephant stomped on. Are you o.k. ma'am?"

"Yes office, I'm just fine!" the blonde chirped. "Well, how in the world did this happen?" the officer asked as her surveyed the wrecked car.

"Officer, it was the strangest thing!" the blonde began. "I was driving along this road when from out of nowhere this TREE pops up in front of me. So I swerved to the right, and then there was another tree! I swerved to the left and there was another tree! I swerved to the right and there was another tree! I swerved to the left and there was..."

"Uh ma'am", the officer said, cutting her off. "There isn't a tree on this road for 30 miles. That was your air freshener swinging back and forth".

### Birthdays this Week

Friday, April 14; Joy Pool, John Senter, Kylee Binford, Eboni Gonzalez and Chuck Stanley. Anniversary; Mr. and Mrs. Cornello Saldivar.: Saturday, April 15; Jim Boles, Lance Elliot, Sharla Cruse, Kenny Ratke, Jesse Vera Sr., Flora Lopez and Jeremy Abraham.: Sunday, April 16, Shorty Hester, Jimmy Romero, Kaci Josey, Traci Nelson and Isidro Rodriguez.: Monday, April 17; Deseree Bacheco; Anniversary; Bernie and DeeAnn Tackitt: Tuesday, April 18: Yours truly, Doyle Shumard and April Line: Wednesday, April 19, Sandra Jarrett, Cindy Aguilar, Kury Chapman, Tommy Mize, Veronica Pena, Esteban Montoya and Lexa Yarbrough; Anniversary; Lisa and David Dean: Thursday, April 20, Sylvia Quintana, Carla Reiter, Linda Dye, Ana Ordonez and Julie Boren.

- Why is it that when you are driving and looking for an address that you turn down the volume on the radio?
- You know how most packages say "Open here". What is the protocol if the package says, "Open somewhere else"?
- Why is it that when you transport something by car, it's called a shipment, but when you transport something by ship, it's called cargo?

### Clean Up Fix Up

I want to remind everyone that the City of Post is asking everyone to get ready for spring and "spruce" up.

It is most important for our town to look as it deserves to look to out of town visitors and highway travelers. Let's get busy!!

### Till Next Week

Hope all of you have a great weekend. Looks as though the weather is going to be beautiful. Get out and enjoy. May God bless each of you. See you next week.

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### Computer Training Coming to Post

An "Essential Computer Skills" class will be presented in Post on Tuesday, April 18, by Dan Cowan of Accelerated Learning Center of Amarillo.

"This three hour class covers computer skills that everyone needs," says Mr. Cowan. "For reasons I fail to understand, very few computer users are learning the latest techniques developed by Microsoft to handle routine tasks such as downloading files from the internet, copying files, and organizing your files into folders and subfolders. That's what we teach, plus a whole lot more."

Accelerated Learning center has taught thousands of computer students in over a dozen states. "We offer a full satisfaction, money-back guarantee. We provide hands-on training of important skills that few students learn elsewhere."

"Computer competency is so simple," Cowan claims, "it all boils down to understanding about a dozen easy to learn techniques. Our class cuts to the core and teachers material that will take most computer users years to learn on their own. In just one session students learn techniques that they will use for a lifetime."

Two classes will be held in Post, as afternoon class and an evening class, at the Citizens Bank Community Room, 210 N. Broadway St. The cost is \$69 per person, payable at the door. Group discounts are available. Call (888) 320-5552 to reserve your seat.

The class is suitable for all beginning and intermediate computer students. Each student will be given a reference guide that will probably be the student's constant companion for all Microsoft applications. This permanent guide give the simple keystrokes that separate the computer competent person from the person who lacks computer skills.

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## Lapahie, Fry wed March 28

Irene and Arnold Fry of Post are pleased to announce the marriage of their son, Jayson Lee, to Geraldine (Geri) Lapahie, daughter of Nelson and Genevieve Lapahie of Sanoste, New Mexico.

The couple were married March 28, 2000, in Clarendon with Jimmy Johnson officiating.

The bridegroom is employed as a deputy sheriff for the Donley County Sheriff's Department. His bride is a full-time student at Clarendon College where she is majoring in business management.

The couple resides in Clarendon.

### Birth

Jadin Avery Reece

Darrell and Raelene Reece of Post are proud to announce the birth of their son, Jadin Avery Reece.

Jadin was born April 4, 2000 at 5:09 p.m. in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

He weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces and was 19 and 1/4 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Glenn and Sue Reece of Level-land. Paternal great grandmother is Vesta Reece of Level-land.

Maternal grandparents are Ray and Earline Bagby of Post. Maternal great grandmother is Lois Bagby of Tahoka and maternal great grandfather is Arnold Lehman of Tahoka.

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## VFW Ladies Auxiliary elects new officers

by Lana Comer

New officers were elected for 2000-2001 and will be installed May 15 to take office in June. JoAnn Stelzer was elected president; Shirley Williams as senior vice president; Carol Jean Light, junior vice president; Ruth Wall, treasurer; Lana Comer, secretary; Roberta Miller, chaplain; Twana McCleary, conductress; Lola Ryan, guard; Diana Bryon, one-year trustee; Beth Ann Todd, two-year trustee; Melvis Taylor, three-year trustee; Stacy Edwards, patriotic instructor; Carolyn Halford, historian; Alva Shepherd, Janet Ratliff, Jo Ella Sparlin, Mellissa Johnston, color bearers; Glenda Hewitt, banner bearer; Kay Edwards, flag bearer; Shirley Williams, Buddy Poppie chairman; and Lana Comer, reporter.

We received a memorial gift of money in memory of our departed sister Rose Mary Stelzer.

The VFW will hold the 74th State Convention June 22 at the DFW Airport in Dallas/Fort Worth. This will be held at the Hyatt Regence. If you are planning to go you need to get your reservation early.

April 14-16 the Ladies Auxiliary of the VFW will be honored to have our state president visiting Lubbock. On Friday, April 14, the Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW will take the state president on a tour of the VA clinic, out to eat lunch and see the sights of Lubbock.

Then at Post 2466 in Lubbock there will be a dance on Friday night. Country band Jerry O and Rouges will be playing from 8 p.m. to midnight. Cover charge will be \$4 per person. On Saturday we will have a District 7 meeting at Lubbock Post 2466 from 2-4 p.m.

There will also be another dance on Saturday night. The same band will be playing. Also from 2-4 p.m. there will be a tea in honor of the state president.

We decided to donate some money to Will Todd who will be going to Washington, D.C., with school children from this area. Will worked and earned the majority of his money to pay for his own trip, plus he is active in school programs and the STARS program. His mother, Beth Ann Todd, has been a member of our auxiliary for a long time.

We voted to send money to help Cystic Fibrosis which is our state president's project this year.

Tuesday afternoon we held our monthly nursing home birthday party. The residents always look forward to the party. If anyone would like to help we would appreciate their assistance.

On April 24 we will have our monthly birthday party. It will be pot luck and we always have a great meal. Our May 8 meeting will be held May 15 due to the awards ceremony to be held for the schools. We would like for our members to attend. The VFW and the Ladies Auxiliary will be participating. The meeting of May 15 will be the installation of officers.

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People say that life is the thing, but I prefer reading.

—Logan Pearsall Smith

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Participating in the First Annual Paintball Tournament at Joe Mason's recently were (back row, left to right) Kim Norman, Cain Abraham, Joe Mason, Rodney Tidwell, (middle row) Javen Abraham, Kyle Gunn, Mark McCallister, Mark Norman, Stace Norman, Blake Nichols, (front row) Colt Mason, Brian Hart and Jerin Tyler. The tournament was sponsored by Mason's Farm & Ranch Supply and Old Mill Pizza (Shirley Storie and Rhonda Norman). (Photo by Rhonda Norman).

## Valdez earns national honor in English

Colton Valdez, son of Jimmy and Rhonda Valdez of Post and grandson of Kenneth and Carolyn Williams of Post, Eddie Valdez of Post and Linda Westbrook of Dallas, has been named a United States National Award Winner in English.

Valdez, a Post Middle School student, was nominated for the national award by his teacher, Pam Humble.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other sponsors and upon the standards of selection set forth by the academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or sponsor.

His name will appear in the USAA Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

## Locals recognized during National Volunteer Week

April 9-15 is being observed as National Volunteer Week, a time to recognize the efforts of eight senior companions who serve with the South Plains Community Action's Senior Companion Programs in Garza County.

The Garza County companions include Emilia Cervantez, Richard Collins, Alyne Clanton, Bobby Harper, Mollie O'Brien, Angela Raymundo, Patsy Resendiz, Margarita Romero and Lupe Ybarra.

These companions are active in the community and most are working with at least two clients, homebound senior citizens, for 20 hours each week. Companions provide companionship, run errands, do meal preparation and light housework for the client, or in some cases provide respite for spouses or families responsible for 24-hour care of a homebound adult. Companions often supplement the services of a home health agency of DHS provider service.

There is no charge to the client for the services of a companion. The program is operated through grant funds and donations.

"As government programs at all levels are cut back and problems in our communities continue to mount, our Senior Companions are a fresh resource for solving problems and a smart investment in our future," said Patty Hartin, program director.

Garza County companions volunteered more than 8,715 hours in the last calendar year. To have hired the companions for what they

do would have cost families and the supporting communities more than \$113,000.

The South Plains Senior Companion Program is federally funded by the Corporation for National Service, which administers AmeriCorps; the National Senior Service Corps, which includes 24,000 foster grandparents, 12,000 senior companion volunteers and 450,000 retired and senior volunteer program volunteers; and Learn and Serve America, which involves 500,000 school and college students in community services.

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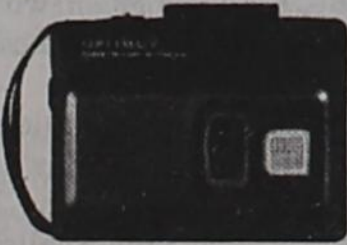
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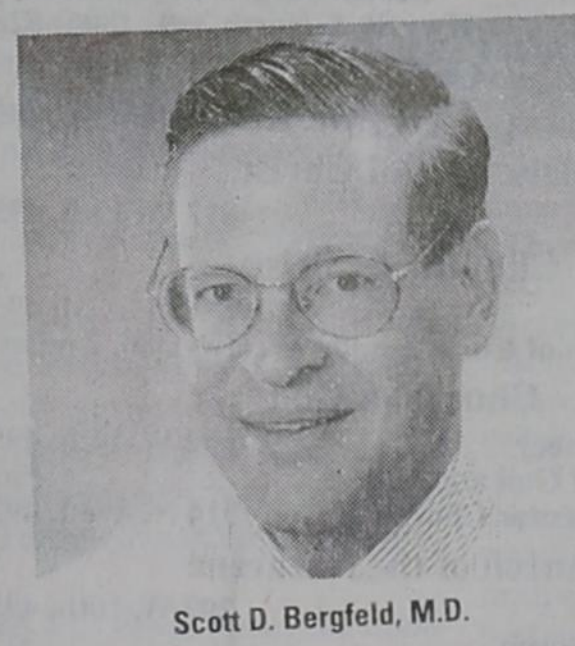
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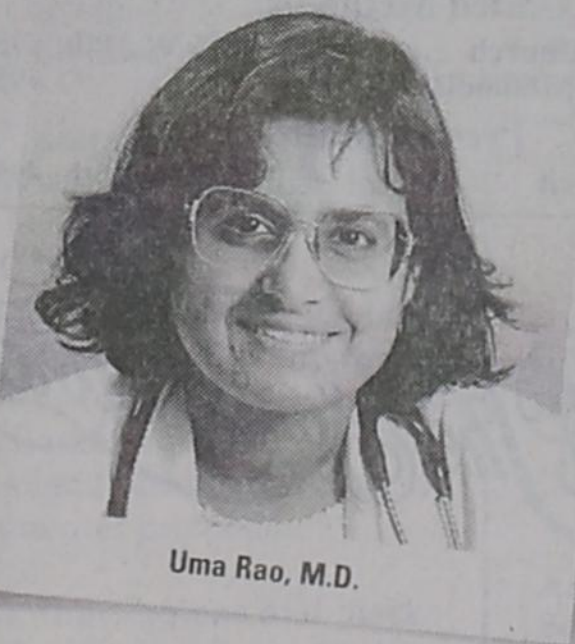
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# Obituaries

## Ervin T. Iles

Graveside services for Ervin T. Iles, 87, of Post were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 11, 2000, at the Terrace Cemetery with the Rev. Arthur Kelly officiating. Hudman Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. He died Friday, April 7, at the Slaton Care Center. He was born in Texas Aug. 15, 1912. Survivors include two brothers, David Iles of Post and Morris Iles of New York, and two sisters, Berniece Austin and Jonnie Mae Allen, both of Los Angeles, Calif.

## Mattie Perez

Services for Mattie Perez, 44, of Post were held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 7, 2000, at the Church of God of Prophecy with the Rev. John Flores officiating, assisted by the Rev. Jesse Cisneros. Burial was in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of the Hudman Funeral Home. She died Tuesday, April 4, at her home. Born March 16, 1956, in El Paso, she married David Perez June 18, 1983, in Post. She had lived in Post since 1962 and was a member of the Nueva Vida Church in Lubbock. She was a housewife. Survivors include her husband, David, of Post; three daughters, Angela Lopez of Lubbock, Rebecca Frausto of Plainview and Jennifer Perez of Post; one son, Ray Perez of Lubbock; and three grandchildren, Cassandra Perez of Amarillo, Andrew Perez of Plainview and Aaron Lopez of Lubbock.

## Oliver A. McDougle Jr.

Services for Oliver A. McDougle, Jr. were 3:00 p.m. Wednesday at the First Baptist Church. Jimmy Holleman, youth minister at St. Joe Baptist Church of Deleon officiated. The Rev. Syl Moore, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church assisted. Burial followed in the Terrace Cemetery. Services were under the personal care of Justice-Mason Funeral Home. Mr. McDougle died Saturday, April 8, 2000 at his home. He was born January 8, 1944 in Post to Oliver (Ollie) A. and Uretha (Howell) McDougle. He attended Post schools and worked for the Tower Theater for many years. He married Esther Bustos November 11, 1965, here in Post. He worked for the Postex Cotton Mill and later for B&H Chevron. At the time of his death he was enrolled in South Plains College-Lubbock. He was working to get a degree in accounting. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Post and was preceded in death by a grandson Julian Victor McDougle, May 15, 1996. Survivors include his wife, Esther. One son: Oliver A. McDougle III of Coldspring, Texas; Four daughters: Bertha Ann McDougle, Donna Michelle McDougle, Venetia Marie McDougle and Uretha Denise McDougle, all of Post. Two Sisters: Juanita Bilberry and Ila Mae Holleman, both of Post. 18 grandchildren and expecting one: Shaun Allen Garza, Jane Marie Garza, Juan Garza, Jr., Victor Lee Garza, Patricia Denise McDougle, Patrick Alexander Anthony McDougle, Nathan Evan McDougle, Warren Scott Zapert II, Justin Daniel Zapert, Christopher Thomas Zapert, Rachel Nicole Zapert, Nikita Ester McDougle, Josephena Emmanuel Robles, Mario Valentine Robles, Oliver A. McDougle IV, David Kenneth McDougle, Magan Elizabeth McDougle and Lori McDougle. Pallbearers were: David Benham, Johnny Garza, Manuel Robles, Martin Perez, Louis Guitierrez and Scott Zapert.

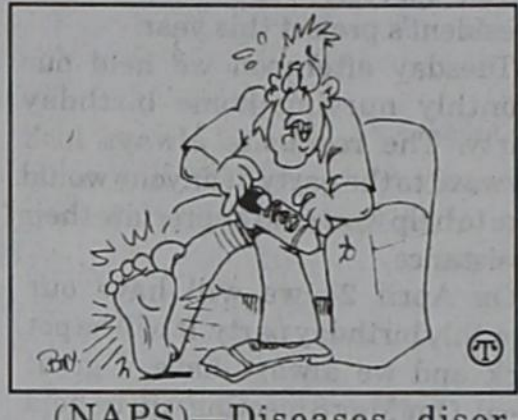


Competing recently at the Texas Tech Science Fair were Post Middle School and Elementary students. At the event were Middle School Science Coordinator Greg Henry (back row, left to right) and Elementary School Science Coordinator D'Anne Bishop with students Callie Smith (1st place biology), Keatha Palmer (3rd place physical), Josh Payne (2nd place physical), Breanne Heckaman (2nd place physical), Stace Norman (2nd place biology), Middle School Science Coordinator Carol Hester, (middle row) Will Todd (2nd place physical), Steffi Norman (2nd place biology), Kylie Easterling (1st place physical), Laura Ervin (2nd place physical), (front row) Jodye Rutherford (2nd place physical), Laurel Tatum (2nd place physical), Alex Chapa (2nd place physical), Jerin Tyler (2nd place biology) and Camron Shumard (2nd place physical). (Photo by Rhonda Norman)

## Smart Tips To Keep You Fast On Your Feet

### Ten Tips for Healthy Feet

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3. Wash your feet regularly, especially between the toes, and be sure to dry them completely.
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5. Make sure that your shoes fit properly. Purchase new shoes later in the day when feet tend to be at their largest and replace worn out shoes as soon as possible.
6. Select and wear the right shoe for the activity that you are engaged in (i.e. running shoes for running).
7. Alternate shoes—don't wear the same pair of shoes every day.
8. Avoid walking barefooted—your feet will be more prone to injury and infection. At the beach or when wearing sandals always use sunblock on your feet like the rest of your body.
9. Be cautious when using home remedies for foot ailments; self-treatment can often turn a minor problem into a major one.
10. If you are a person with diabetes it is vital that you see a podiatric physician at least once a year for a check-up.



(NAPS)—Diseases, disorders and disabilities of the foot can develop into bigger problems if you're not aware. The American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) recommends that you check with your podiatrist for any foot problems that seem abnormal.

## Lunch Menus

### Trailblazers

- Monday, April 17, 2000**  
Chicken strips, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, greens, wheat roll and apple cobbler.
- Tuesday, April 18, 2000**  
Sloppy Joes, tator tots, carrot salad, jello and ginger bread.
- Wednesday, April 19, 2000**  
Beef roast, O'Brien potatoes, green beans, salad, hot roll and carrot cake.
- Thursday, April 20, 2000**  
Polish sausage, baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, wheat roll, stuffed pears and chocolate chip cookies.
- Friday, April 21, 2000**  
Turkey and dressing, green beans, macaroni and cheese, hot roll, orange sections and pumpkin bars..

### Post ISD

- Monday, April 17, 2000**  
Breakfast: Breakfast taco, apple juice, fruit and milk.  
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pudding and choice of milk.
- Tuesday, April 18, 2000**  
Breakfast: Scrambled egg, bacon, toast, fruit and milk.  
Lunch: Nachos supreme, salad, fruit cocktail, cookie and choice of milk.
- Wednesday, April 19, 2000**  
Breakfast: Churros, sausage link, fruit and milk.  
Lunch: Ravioli, salad, California mix, garlic toast, cobbler and choice of milk.
- Thursday, April 20, 2000**  
Breakfast: Malt-o-meal, sausage, toast, fruit and milk.  
Lunch: Burrito, salad, pears, Snicker bar and choice of milk.
- Friday, April 14, 2000**  
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# Opinions



## And thereafter, government against business

by Walter E. Williams

Last week, U.S. District Judge Thomas Jackson ruled that Microsoft violated federal antitrust laws and harmed consumers. Jackson found that the company: (a) used its position to "monopolize the Web browser market" to the detriment of competitors (b) "unlawfully tied its Web browser to its operating system" and (c) could be sued under state anti-competition laws.



U.S. Assistant Attorney General Joe Klein said the decision against Microsoft will benefit consumers by opening the door to competition. The Clinton administration's attack on Microsoft, along with the court's acquiescence, should worry all of us. Let's look at it.

The government's chief economic expert witness, MIT's Professor Franklin Fisher, accused Microsoft of predatory pricing, a practice where low prices are charged in order to drive one's competitors out of business and then later raised to high prices. Fisher's testimony is a disgrace to the economics profession.

If one surveys modern economic literature, or polls academic economists, he'd find very little evidence, if any, for the use of predatory pricing as a means to monopoly wealth. There are far more effective means to monopoly wealth that don't entail the costs and risks of a predatory pricing strategy.

Let's look at competition in general. The point of competition is to attract, to the detriment of your competitors, customers. There should be laws preventing people from bombing their competitors' production facilities or spreading lies about the attributes and quality of their competitors' product as a means to attract customers.

Also, companies shouldn't be able to go to lawmakers to get laws passed to the detriment of their competitors. However, legislators encourage that practice in return for campaign contributions. There's no evidence that Microsoft has committed any of these despicable acts to capture their competitors' customers.

Microsoft's competitors, in the high-tech industry, are the people who've gone whining to Washington — it wasn't customers. After all, Microsoft is as profitable as it is because customers like you and me voluntarily chose its product. Computer manufacturers voluntarily installed its operating system, bundled as it is, rather than use some other operating system they were free to use if they desired.

Microsoft, unlike Congress, has no power to coerce. Many people think monopoly is evil by definition. Monopoly practices are not inherently evil. For example, I hold a monopoly on the affections of Mrs. Williams. She holds a monopoly on mine. Read the Ten Commandments. The first says, "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me."

The second says, "Thou shalt not make any graven image ..." A third says, "... for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God." That sounds like a monopoly to me. If you assume monopoly is evil, then marriage and Christianity are evil. There are monopolistic practices that are evil that we need to address.

There's the U.S. Postal Service monopoly that threatens violence against anyone who competes against it in the delivery of first-class mail. There's the government education monopoly, a.k.a. public education, that's destroying our children whilst charging us higher and higher prices for doing so.

Then there's the American sugar industry monopoly that gets Congress to enact tariffs and quotas on foreign sugar so they can charge us higher sugar prices. The list of these government-backed and sponsored harmful-to-the-customer monopolies is virtually without end.

Unlike Microsoft, who has been providing customers with higher and higher quality products at lower and lower prices, the government-backed and sponsored monopolies have been giving us at least higher prices if not lower quality at the same time.

I say leave Microsoft alone and go after these evil monopolies. To find out more about Walter Williams, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).  
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## Property protections continue to explode

by Vin Suprynowicz

Last week it was a refusal by the U.S. Supreme Court to review a lower court decision — the end result being that the City of San Francisco now gets away with "discouraging" the owners of an apartment house from converting their premises into a tourist hotel by setting an absurdly excessive \$600,000 "permit fee."

Unfortunately, the bad news on this front now continues, as the high court Monday let stand a Florida ruling that could make it far more difficult for land owners to win compensation when government regulators prevent them from developing their properties.

Up till now, although there was still debate about "partial takings" in which restrictive zoning rules merely reduce the value of a piece of property, it was believed to be settled law that a "regulatory taking" had occurred — that government must compensate a property owner for the full value of the land — if regulations are so onerous as to deprive a land owner of any economically viable use of his property.

Regrettably, that's no longer clear. Turning over rocks in search of some newfangled excuse for the government central planners to "plan and zone" property owners into bankruptcy, the lower federal appellate court in the case now in question (Good vs. U.S., 99-881) ruled land owners must also prove they had a "reasonable expectation" of being able to develop the property in the first place.

Because the Supreme Court declined to review the case, that decision is now binding law in three Southern states — Florida, Alabama and Georgia. In 1973, Lloyd Good Jr. and his mother bought an undeveloped 40-acre tract on Lower Sugarloaf Key in Monroe County, Fla. The tract is mostly mangrove muck.

In 1981, Good sought U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permission to fill or excavate 13 acres for a development of 54 houses and a 48-slip marina, to be known as Sugarloaf Shores. Given that there aren't many other sources of jobs in that particular section of the mosquito coast, locals were pleased. Permission was granted in 1983.

Meanwhile, Good dutifully pursued the necessary state and county approvals, and had received them by mid-1984. But then the mangrove-huggers went to work.

In 1986, the Florida Land and Water Adjudication Commission ordered Monroe County to review the project under a more stringent standard. By 1988, the Lower Keys marsh rabbit had been placed on the federal government's endangered-species list. In 1991, that creature was joined on the list by the silver rice rat — dear to all lovers of the outdoors and of communicable disease in general.

Guess what? The federal Fish and Wildlife Service ruled Good's planned development would jeopardize both species. The Corps of Engineers duly repealed Good's permit.

Good's lawyers went to court, pointing out that a 1992 Supreme Court decision held land owners are always entitled to compensation when government regulation denies all productive use of their land.

But in a masterpiece of casuistry, the appeals court sneveled that the 1992 decision — involving similar restrictions on the use of beachfront property in North Carolina — did not eliminate "the requirement that the landowner have reasonable, investment-backed expectations of developing his land" at the time of purchase. "In view of the regulatory climate that existed when (Good) acquired the subject property, (he) could not have had a reasonable expectation that he would obtain approval to fill 10 acres of wetlands in order to develop the land."

So we're expected to believe that's why Mr. Good spent all those years and all that money trying to obey the law by applying for all those permits ... just to prove it couldn't be done? Besides, if he "should have known it was impossible," how on earth are the appellate judges to explain the fact that by mid-1984 — before the rat-lovers intervened — Mr. Good actually had all his required permits?

Nope. He just "should have known," despite the fact that the Endangered Species Act — the one that stopped him dead in the muck — hadn't even been made law when the Goods initially bought their land!

What the lower court has here held is that Mr. Good should have looked into his crystal ball in 1973 and realized that by the 1990s, America's socialists would have found a way to finally achieve their century-old dream, eliminating the inherent right of a private property owner to do anything with his land but pay taxes on it, under the all-purpose guise of "environmental protection."

Of rats. What will the circuit court rule next, that Indians and blacks have no right to be treated equally under the law, because their parents "had no reasonable expectation" they'd be treated fairly in America, at the time they gave birth?

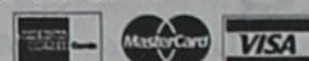
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"The evils of tyranny are rarely seen but by him who resists it." — John Hay, 1872

"The whole aim of practical politics is to keep the populace alarmed — and thus clamorous to be led to safety — by menacing it with an endless series of hobgoblins, all of them imaginary." — H.L. Mencken

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## Who pays for government hand-outs?

by Wes Burnett

It is interesting to note how indoctrinated most of us are to the Marxist ideas rejected by our ancestors. Karl Marx proposed in his many writings the idea of taking from those who have, through the force of government, and giving to those who have not. It is called socialism.

When confronted with the question, "are you a socialist?" most Texans strongly object to even being asked such a question. They more than likely will also deny that they are socialists.

However, a closer examination of facts will clearly demonstrate that the same people who verbally reject socialism and denounce socialist governments, eagerly accept and defend our own government handouts.

This conflict was vividly displayed at the April 4 meeting of the Garza County Hospital District board of directors meeting. During the public forum portion of the meeting, Daymon Ethridge asked board president Mike Travis, "Are you pushing for more socialized medicine?"

The question was related to Travis' assertion that the board needed to advertise to get more people to take advantage of the Primary Health Care Program grant funding. Travis' answer was interesting: "If it's free, then I'm in favor of it."

That is a prime example of the pitfalls of socialism and the indoctrination that has all but destroyed the original American concept of a republic form of government.

"If it's free, I'm in favor of it," makes the assumption that government handouts are free. Well, perhaps they are free to those who get the handout, but the truth is, the money for that handout has to come from somewhere, and of course, as we all know, that somewhere is from taxation.

In other words, government forces people through the threat of imprisonment or loss of property, to fork over part of their earnings to support these handouts.

That idea comes directly from Karl Marx. It was wrong in the 1840s and it is wrong now. Anyone paying any attention to how governments fail must recognize the failure of the socialist system. It must by necessity consume itself, for eventually, the productive are taxed and taxed and taxed, until there is nothing left.

We see the signs right here at home. The more the productive are taxed, the less productive they are, and productive people eventually figure out that the more they earn, the more they lose. The end result is that the monster then consumes itself because the non-productive vastly outnumber the productive.

That creates a spiraling effect... the smaller number of productive people must pay a larger and larger amount of their earnings, because the number of non-productive people keeps growing.

Those who advocate socialistic programs try to squirm away from the realization that they are in fact socialists. They have denied this reality without recognizing the sheer truth: that since they advocate socialist programs, they must by definition be socialists.

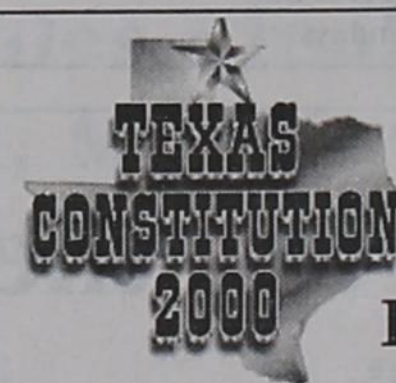
There is no other explanation for their behavior. They may not like the notion of being called socialists, but they cannot logically deny that title as long as they advocate and insist on socialistic programs.

And as long as we allow government to operate as a corporation ruled by democracy, those of us who consider ourselves productive, will continue to suffer the consequences of socialism.

As I have frequently reminded our readers, America has fallen into depravity through its love of socialism. At the current rate of taxation, which consumes up to 60 percent of many working families, it won't be long until we will be singing an old Russian proverb: "We pretend to work, they pretend to pay us."

We have an opportunity in Garza County to correct the problems related to socialism. We must elect people to public office who understand the dangers of socialist programs and will stand up to defend the rights of property owners and the productive among us.

If we are ever to erase socialism from the state or national scene we must begin that effort right here in Garza County. We must elect people who value freedom and liberty more than Marxist socialism.



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## 'Lope baseball team fighting for play-offs

The District 3-AA baseball race took another step toward finalizing the third place spot at the Post Antelopes beat Morton 5-2 Friday night in Post. In a relatively quick game of one hour and 42 minutes, the 'Lopes used pitching by senior Rocky Gomez and solid team defense to gain the win. Gomez faced 27 batters, with the minimum being 21, striking out eight while scattering four hits. The right hander notched his third win of the season. Only one of the runs Morton garnered was earned.

The infield of Bryan Looney at third, Kenny Ratke at short, Brody Robertson at second and Adrian Gonzales at first committed only two errors that cost the 'Lopes nothing. Every one of these players made plays that kept the Indians off the bases.

Making a big play during the fifth inning was Luis Zubia. A sharply hit ball to right field scored Morton's second run of the game. The batter attempted to turn that single into a triple and Zubia nailed him at third for

the final out of the inning.

The Antelopes pushed across a run in the bottom of the third on a Rocky Gomez RBI single to go ahead 1-0 but the big inning came in the fourth when four more runs came across.

Back-to-back singles by Gonzales and Zubia put runners at first and second with no outs. Ratke attempted to bunt the two around but ended up striking out on seven pitches. Justin Acevedo then followed with a run scoring single and the 'Lopes had runners at first and third.

Bryan Looney, who had already had a sacrifice bunt in the third, hit an RBI fielder's choice to short to score another run. He was followed by Roland Castaneda who stroked a single up the middle, scoring Acevedo. Gomez then smacked his second RBI single of the game to score Castaneda and make the score 5-0, Post. Michael Huff also singled but was followed by Michael Gonzales' inning-ending grounder to short.

The 'Lopes threatened again in the fifth and sixth innings, leaving four runners in scoring positions.

Coming into the game the two teams had identical 3-3 district marks and the Post win puts the 'Lopes alone in third place for the time being. There are still five district contests remaining, but Post holds the tie-breaker advantage over Morton, having beaten the Indians two times.

The 'Lopes played league-leading Coahoma there Tuesday, but results were unavailable at press time.

## Lady Lopes win Big Spring Relays

The Lady 'Lopes won the April 8 Big Spring Relays with a total of 223 points.

High point individual was Manuela Hernandez with 40 points. Individual results included, in shot put and discuss, LaRinda Ledbetter, second place in each competition; high jump, Manuela Hernandez, first, and Dianna Williams, second; long jump, Vondi Gradine, first; triple jump, Manuela Hernandez, first, Kelly Moore, second, and Meagan Mills, third; and the 3200, DeeDee Jarrett, first place.

In the 400 relay, Dianna Williams, Regina Collazo, Meagan Mills and Manuela Hernandez teamed up for a first place finish.

In the 800 m, Amanda Workman took fifth and Kyzandre Harper, sixth place.

In the 100 hurdles, Dianna Williams placed first, followed by Kelly Moore, second, and Kenda Looney, third. Vondi Gradine took third in the 100 m, while Davida Gregory took second in the 400 m, followed by Kyzandre Harper, third place.

In the 300 m hurdles, Kelly Moore took first and Regina Collazo, second. In the 200 m hurdles, Manuela Hernandez took first, Amanda Workman, second, and Vondi Gradine, fifth.

DeeDee Jarrett took first in the 1600 m race. In the 1600 m relay, Meagan Mills, Manuela Hernandez, Davida Gregory and Kelly Moore took a first place medal.

The girls' next track meet will be the district meet April 17 at Seagraves.

## 8th girls take second at district

With 116 points overall, the eighth grade girls from Post Middle School received a second place finish at the district track meet.

Earning first place wins at the competition were Starlett Greathouse, 100 m; Tayler Starkey, 300 hurdles; and Paula Voyles, Starlett Greathouse, Erica Moore and Terri Curtis, 1600 relay.

Second place winners were, in long jump, Starlett Greathouse; Paula Voyles, 800 run; Erica Moore, 400 dash; Yuri Lopez, 1600 run; and Paula Voyles, Terri Curtis, Erica Moore and Starlett Greathouse, 800 relay.

Third places went to Crystal Crawford, shot put; Breann Heckaman, discus; Starlett Greathouse, triple jump; Yuri Lopez, 800 run; Terri Curtis, 100 dash; and Erica Moore, 200 dash.

Crystal Crawford took fourth place in discus and Tana Starkey took fifth in the 2400.

Terri Curtis captured sixth in the long jump. Other sixth place finishers were Jennifer Beiter, triple jump; Jerica Tyler, 2400; and Tana Starkey, 1600.

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Adrian Gonzales takes the throw to tag a Hale Center runner during last Friday's contest here.

## Lope tracksters take third

Post High School's male track athletes posted a third place team finish in the Big Spring Track Meet April 8.

Individual achievements included, in shot put, Billy Crawford, first place with a throw of 48' 9.5"; Jonathan Eilenberger, second place, 43' 7.5"; and Noah Gutierrez, fourth place, 36' 11.75".

Crawford took second place in discus with a toss of 119' 10.5".

John Radle took first in the 110 HH, 16.5, while C.J. Sims took fourth in the 100 m dash, 11.97.

In the 400 m dash, Matt McCallister placed first with a time of 52.55, followed by Jamie Collazo, fifth place, 54.83.

In the 300 I hurdles, Raymond Silva took fifth, 47.14, and Adam Nobles took sixth, 47.33.

In the 1600 m relay, the team of C.J. Sims, Jamie Collazo, Daryl Dissinger and Matt McCallister ran a time of 3:38.08 (place not denoted).

# Post Antelope Spring Sports



# Golf Track

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April 17  
District Meet  
Seagraves

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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES AND SERVICE CHARGES**

On March 8, 2000 Ennergas Company filed a statement of intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated areas ("Environ's") surrounding the sixty-seven West Texas Cities listed below. The proposed increase would affect all classes of environs tariff customers including Residential, Commercial, Public Authority, Small Industrial and Air Conditioning customers and would be identical in relative magnitude to those proposed by the Company for the sixty-seven West Texas cities in the Company's pending Appeal at the Railroad Commission. The proposed effective date for the increase is April 27, 2000. The Railroad Commission may delay the proposed effective date for up to 150 days. However, the environs rates will not be changed until the rates inside the sixty-seven West Texas Cities are changed. There are approximately 22,275 Environ's customers in the unincorporated areas surrounding the sixty-seven West Texas Cities from which the Company has appealed to the Railroad Commission. The proposed changes in environs rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$1.0 million or 8.5%, adjusted for normal weather. The change is a "major change" under state law only in the environs of Lubbock and Odessa.

Ennergas proposes to restructure its gas rates to moderate bill variability during the heating season, to increase its revenues from gas service by increasing the customer charges and lower pricing blocks, and to increase its charges for miscellaneous services such as reconnecting gas services following nonpayment. The Company also proposes changes to its Gas Cost Adjustment ("GCA") Clause to collect all of the gas cost and related taxes instead of just the difference between actual gas cost and a base cost of gas in the base rates. Copies of the proposal may be obtained at the Ennergas Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, Texas, 79424.

Customers who are affected by the proposed environs rate changes may, within 30 days following the proposed effective date, file written comments or a protest with:

Docket Services Section  
 Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9002-9068)  
 Railroad Commission of Texas  
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Any such protest must be received by the Commission no later than May 27, 2000. The deadline to file a petition to intervene in the case as a party is May 27, 2000.

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**Post golfers get top honors in district**

Post High School fared well in the final round of the District 3AA golf tournament held April 4 at the Gaines County Golf Course.

Post's boys team led in the standings, shooting 325-314-629. Other standings included, in second place, Tahoka, 337-355-692; Stanton #1, 348-355-703; Plains, 369-343-712; Coahoma#1, 368-356-724; Stanton #2, 426-401-827; Coahoma #2, 422-421-853; and Seagraves, 466-453-919.

Individual scores for Post included Marcus Lopez, medalist, with 68-67-135; Justin Norman, 79-74-153; Justin Gorman, 85-86-171; Jarrett Vickers, 93-90-183; and John Radle, 95-87-182.

In the girls' competition, Yvonne Lopez was the district champ, shooting 91-99-188. Camie Payne captured sixth place with 116-122-238.

Post golfers named to the All-District teams included Marcus Lopez, Justin Norman and Justin Gorman and Yvonne Lopez and Camie Payne.

**7th grade girls district champs**

The seventh grade Lady 'Lopes from Post Middle School captured first place at the district track meet with 2,175 points overall.

First place finishers included, in shot put, Belia Hernandez; Lyndee Strawn, 2400 run; Cherrell Reed, Kayla Dunn, Mendi Morgan and Meagan Hoover, 400 relay; Kaycee Gorman, 800 run; Mendi Morgan, 100 hurdles; Meagan Hoover, 100 dash; Lyndee Strawn, 1600 run; and Courtney Short, Kayla Dunn, Kaycee Gorman and Meagan Hoover, 1600 relay.

Second places went to Jordan Melius, discus; Meagan Hoover, long jump; Christin Collier, 2400; Donae Dalby, 100 hurdles; Cherrell Reed, 100 dash; Courtney Short, Logan Gregory, Kayla Dunn and Cherrell Reed, 800 relay; Courtney Short, 400 dash; and Jordan Melius, 300 hurdles.

Third place awards went to Jordan melius, high jump and 100 hurdles; Donae Dalby, 300 hurdles; and Christin Collier, 1600 run.

Meagan Hoover took fourth place in the triple jump.

Nikki Norman and Christy Shifflett took fifth place finishes in shot put and the 400 m dash respectively.

Taking sixth place wins were Nikki Norman, discus; Kayla Dunn, triple jump; Tracy Nelson, 800 run; Lesley Rutherford, 400 dash; and Patricia Hester, 200 dash.

**7th grade boys win district title**

Post Middle School's seventh grade boys track team captured first place in the District 3AA track and field meet held April 7.

"We are very pleased with the effort of these seventh graders," said Coach Darrell Radle. "They worked hard every day and got better every week."

Individual results included, in first place, Andrew Espinosa, 2400 meters, 9:39.5; Jerrad Grisham, 110 m. hurdles, 19.77; Cody Marts, 200 m. dash, 26.4; and Ryan Babb, pole vault, 8'6".

Taking second place finishes were Dajuan Hill, discus, 9'7"; Jett Lott, shot put, 34'4"; and high jump, Eric Pedersen, 5'2".

The team of Israel Landa, Quinton Odom, Cody Marts and Jett Lott took third in the 400 m relay, 53.23. Landa, Marts, Martin Garcia and Odom teamed up for a third place win in the 1600 m relay, 4:24.5. Other third place finishes came from Landa, long jump, 15'6" and Eric Gonzales, high jump, 5'.

**Post squeaks past Plains 2-1**

The Post Antelopes capitalized on the mistakes made by their opponent to down Plains 2-1.

"It was a well-played game on both sides," the coach said. "We only had one error."

Rocky Gomez scored the winning run, reaching the base on a strike out error. Gomez advanced to second with "heads up base running" on an errant throw back to the pitcher from the first baseman. Michael Huff drove in the winning run with a double down the left field line.

"Everyone played well — Kenny Ratke, Bryan Looney, Brodie Robertson in infield and Adrian Gonzales at first. Rocky Gomez threw two runners out that had reached base via walks. Huff pitched well and in the outfield we had Seth Redman, left field, Roland Castaneda, center field, and Luis Zubia, right field."

**8th grade boys finish third**

Post Middle School's 8th grade boys finished in third place overall in the District 3AA Track & Field Meet held recently.

"I am very proud of these eighth graders," said Coach Darrell Radle. "They worked very hard this year and have shown a lot of improvement."

Individual finishes included, in second place, Kris Hernandez, discus, 112'; and the team of Langly Couch, Zane Marts, Mitchell Mills and Josh Cross, 400 m relay, 50.1.

Third place finishers included, in shot put, Mark McCallister, 36'8"; Carlos Hernandez, 2400 meters, 9:35; David Rivera, 500 meters and 1600 meters, 2:37 and 5:54 respectively; and the team of Mark McCallister, Mitchell Mills, Josh Cross and Zane Marts, 1600 m relay, 4:10.5.

Taking fourth places at the meet were Ricky Reyna, 2400 meters, 9:38; Francisco Duran, 110 m hurdles, 19.88; and Josh Cross, 200 meters, 25.7.

Fifth places went to Manuel Menjares, long jump, 16'4" and Zane Marts, 200 meters, 25.8.

Sixth place finishers were Owen Gilbert, discus, 96'; shot put, Adrian Loreda, 34'7"; high jump, Zane Marts, 4'10"; Kris Hernandez, 400 meters, 1:03.8; and Mark Norman, 300 m hurdles, 53.08.

Other Post competitors included Jose Ladinis, Kyle Gunn, Jay Cooper and Joseph Espinosa. Will Todd was timer and Chris Cruse was recorder.

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- Less than 25 Garza County citizens have been declared indigent during the past three years.
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Rocky Gomez takes a swing at the ball during last Friday's baseball game here with Hale Center.

## Letters to the Editor

**Letters to the Editor Policy:** We require all letters to be signed, however, names may be withheld from publication by request. Letters may be edited for brevity, grammar and punctuation.

### The way we treat our children

As we enter a new century and approach a new millennium, we should reflect on where we are going. One of the most important indications of a civilized society is how we treat our children. Unfortunately, if current trends continue, too many Texas children will be abused and neglected.

Children are our most precious resource and we should be committed to working toward a happier, healthier, and safer environment for them. Far too many children in Texas are abused or neglected. All Texans must join together to prevent this tragedy.

Our future depends on the well-being of children today. The time has come for us to reflect on what we are doing as a community to support children and their families. We must start putting children first. It's up to you.

If we don't stand for children, who will?

Barbara Hardin, Garza County Child Welfare Board

### Borden County ISD reunion

The Borden County ISD five year reunion is being planned for this year on Aug. 4th and 5th.

Letters were sent to classmates, teachers and employees that live out of this area. A postcard was included to be returned to me. Out of about 450 letters, I have only received 203 postcards. If you know anyone that received a letter, remind them to return the postcard with their name. If you know anyone out of this area that did not get a letter, please send their name, address and graduation year to me.

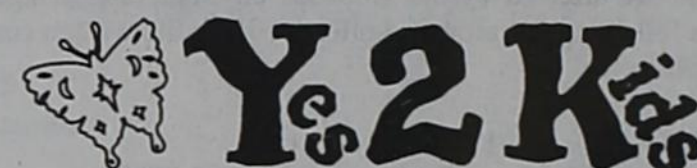
Letters weren't sent to most people with Gail, O'Donnell, Vealmoor, Fluvanna, Snyder and Big Spring addresses. Everyone in this area that wants information on the upcoming reunion, please get your name, address and graduation year to me as soon as possible and remind your neighbors to do the same.

If you know of the death of any student, teacher or employee, please send their name, year of death and graduation year, if a student.

I need this information before May 2. At that time we will have our last meeting before the letters detailing the reunion go out. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. on the 2nd at the Community Center in Gail. Everyone is invited to help make the final plans.

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### CITY CODE

#### Regarding Parking of Trucks

Residential streets in the City of Post are not designed or constructed to handle heavy equipment or trucks. For that reason in 1986 the city adopted an ordinance prohibiting the parking of certain trucks and heavy equipment on city streets.

Most local trucking companies in Post have their own yards or locations on which their equipment is parked overnight or during the day when not in operation. Other parking lots are available for truckers who do not have a company yard located in Post. In part, the code states:

20-1-32.....No person may park, nor may the owner permit to be parked, any vehicle having a load capacity in excess of one (1) ton, or which is more than twenty (20) feet in length, or seven (7) feet in height or width, upon any street, alleyway or public thoroughfare in the City of Post..

The ordinance provides for ticketing owners of trucks, as well as drivers. A Warning Sticker or Warning Letter will be issued to first offenders. Second Offenses will be ticketed and receive a summons to appear in the court.

## Tax 'n Facts

by Terri Cash

### Last-Minute Opportunities

It's not too late to stash away retirement money from last year's income and in many cases, get a tax deduction on the money, too. Thanks to an accident of the calendar, there are a couple of extra days this year - to April 17 - before taxes are due and deadlines close. You can open an IRA through the 17th and make contributions until the due date of your return, not including extensions. Ditto for a Roth IRA, though there's no deduction there.

Self employed? Though a Keogh account must have been opened before the end of last year, you can still add funds. Easier yet is a Simplified Employee Pension plan: one-page setup, with no further reports or tax filings due, and funding is flexible. Set it up now, and you can contribute for 1999 up to tax-filing deadline. The SEP contribution can be as much as \$24,000 for '99, \$25,500 for this year. Adding a money-purchase defined-contribution plan to the SEP ups the maximum to \$30,000 but adds a lot of paperwork.

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The White River Municipal Water District has adopted an Ordinance establishing a Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation. The complete Ordinance may be examined at the District office. The following is a brief summary of the Ordinance and is provided to give the public a general overview of the Ordinance and associated penalties for failure to comply with the Ordinance.

#### AN ORDINANCE OF THE WHITE RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING A CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION AND AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THE CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION AND NOTIFY CUSTOMERS OF REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the White River Municipal Water District (District), Texas, has determined an urgent need in the best interest of the District's Customers to adopt a Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation to protect the District's public drinking water system from contamination or health hazards; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the White River Municipal Water District, Texas, that:

The White River Municipal Water District approves and adopts the Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation (Regulation) attached hereto and incorporated herein. The District commits to implement the Regulation according to the procedures set forth in the Regulation.

The General Manager of the White River Municipal Water District is hereby empowered to implement said Regulation and shall take the necessary steps to put this Regulation into effect by notifying and requesting the appropriate customers of the District to meet the minimum requirements of this Regulation.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of January, 2000 by the following votes:

Ayes: Davey Abel, Bill Campbell, Charles Gray, Compton Cornelius, Randy Arnold, Charles Morris, Charles Hardin, Bo Jackson and David Stelzer  
Nayes: None

#### CROSS-CONNECTION AND LEAD CONTROL REGULATION

This Cross-Connection and Lead Control Regulation ("Regulation") is implemented in compliance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, as set forth in Chapter 290, Subchapter D, Title 30, Texas Administrative Code.

I. **GENERAL.** The purpose of this Regulation is to protect the District's public drinking water system from contamination or health hazards resulting from the improper connection and/or operation of private water systems. This Regulation applies to the District Customers billed directly by the District. It does not apply to the Member cities of Crosbyton, Post, Ralls and Spur.

#### II. DEFINITIONS

#### III. CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL

- A. No connection shall be made where any actual/potential contamination or health hazard exists without an air gap or backflow prevention assembly.
- B. All backflow prevention assemblies shall be tested on installation and annually by a recognized backflow prevention assembly tester.
- C. The District Customer shall pay all expenses to install/test/maintain backflow prevention assembly.

IV. **LEAD BAN.** The use of pipes/pipe fittings containing more than 8.0% lead, or solders/flux containing more than 0.2% lead, is prohibited in the installation or repair of (i) any public water supply; and (ii) any plumbing in a residential or nonresidential facility providing water for human consumption and connected to a public drinking water supply system.

#### V. CUSTOMER SERVICE INSPECTIONS

- A. A Customer Service Inspection Certification shall be completed prior to providing water service to (i) new construction, (ii) on any existing service when the District believes a cross-connection or other potential contaminant hazards exist, or (iii) after any improvement/correction/addition to private water system.
- B. District Customers are responsible for all costs incurred in obtaining a Customer Service Inspection Certification.

#### VI. ENFORCEMENT

- A. Any private water system improperly installed, repaired, maintained and/or operated in violation of this Regulation shall be deemed to create a potential source of contamination or health hazard affecting the District's public drinking water system and shall be eliminated. Failure of any District Customer to promptly eliminate any such condition shall be sufficient grounds for immediate termination of District water service.
- B. District water service may be disconnected without notice where, in the District's sole determination, there exists a serious and immediate threat to the integrity of the District's public drinking water system.
- C. District water service may be disconnected, after proper notice, for any of the following reasons: 1. The failure of any District Customer to provide the District with a Customer Service Inspection Certification as required by the District, certifying compliance with this Regulation. 2. The failure of any District Customer to allow the District reasonable access to property to observe the installation, repair, maintenance and/or operation of any private water system connected or to be connected to the District's public drinking water system.

- VII. DISTRICT CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITY
- VIII. SEVERABILITY
- IX. MODIFICATION AND AMENDMENT



# Yesteryears

by Pat Burnett

April 11, 1990  
10 Years Ago

Post High School's Nancy Criado placed second in girls' singles at the District 3-AAA tennis tournament last week, qualifying for the regional meet April 25 and 26 at Odessa. Kenda Williams and Sarah Williams finished fourth at the district meet in doubles competition.

Curtis and Laura Williams, of San Angelo, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Jordan Macee, born at 10:23 p.m. on March 10, 1990.

Jordan weighed six pounds seven ounces and was 19 inches long at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Mr and Mrs Phillip Crenshaw of Post.

Paternal grandparents are Mr and Mrs LeRoy Williams of Post. Great-grandparents are Della Crenshaw, Post; Mr and Mrs John Mock of San Angelo; Mr Bill Williams of Lubbock and Mr and Mrs W.A. Freeman of Ore City, Texas.

Services for Mrs W.B. (Eva) Williams were held Friday, April 6, 1990 at 2 p.m. in the Church of God of Prophecy, with Rev. Oscar Newdiger, pastor, Brownfield Church of God of Prophecy, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. Michael Tomlinson, pastor.

She was born September 3, 1903 in Rannels County, Texas and moved to Garza County in 1909 with her family. They had a dairy east of Post. She married Bill Williams on May 6, 1928 in Post.

April 10, 1980  
20 Years Ago

Happy birthday Mrs Leo Cobb, Mrs Bernie Jones, Gary Workman and Julia Howard.

Mrs Loyd Edwards visited in Midland over the Easter holidays with her son and family, Leland Edwards.

Engagement of Tammy Reece and Kelly Mason announced. Both are of Post.

The cast for the Middle School play "The Ramson of Red Chief" are Tommy Payton, Mike Gwina, Jim Rainbolt, Leigh McCook, Missy Morrow, Adam Mendoza, Kim Carlisle, Judy Tanner, Trudy Adams and Dana Dudley.

Two new births were Missy Renee Guerrero on April 2 and Billy Joe Taylor on April 3. Ruben Storie hit a hole in one at

the Caprock Golf Course, witnessed by Mike Bartlett, Lance Dunn and Pat Mitchell.

Luann Kennedy sets new district high jump record in Seminole, clearing the bar at five feet five inches.

Marine Lance Cpl. Authur L. Pettet, whose wife Dian, is the daughter of Edna Huffman, has reported for duty at the Okinawa base.

April 9, 1970  
30 Years Ago

Glen Brosch, Mark Schwertner and Robert Kahlich went to White River Lake over the Easter weekend.

Mr and Mrs Billy Shumard and his brother, Tommy and Mr and Mrs Doyle Fry and Arnold returned Sunday from a weeks vacation and fishing trip.

Specialist Six Bryon O. Parrish, son of Mr and Mrs Ambers Parrish, receives the Army Commendation Medal.

D.L. Mason and Cecil Foster, Jr. wins first place at the Amarillo drag races.

Mrs Weaver McKamie, crew-leader, reported Wednesday that the 1970 Census of Population and Housing is about half completed in Garza County.

Ray Spoth, Post's Pontiac dealer wins ten day trip to Germany.

A variety of bedding plants are being offered for sale in "The Flower Shower," a benefit to raise money to buy books for the Post Public Library.

April 7, 1960  
40 Years Ago

C. R. "Si" Thaxton, W.S. (Walter) Duckworth and Harold Lucas win council posts; 436 vote. City-Council Park gets 200 trees.

Chip Polk sings at the Mystic Sewing Club meeting Friday afternoon.

Miss Mary Louise McCrary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Giles McCrary, returned by plane Sunday to Duke University, where she is a student. She had spent a week visiting her parents.

"Tour of Homes" by Culture Club termed successful. The tour ended with a tea at the Bank's Community Room.

Jan Olson, son of Mrs Boo Olson, accompanied the Ted Hibbs on their trip to Silverton to return their granddaughter Carolyn to her home.

April 13, 1950  
50 Years Ago

Gwendolyn Willey of Lubbock visited here during Easter with her aunt, Mrs. Vic Hudman and family.

James Babb is driving a new Chevrolet.

Easter guests of Mrs. Irene Rodgers were Mr. and Mrs. Buster Sadler of Tulsa and Mr. and Mrs. H. Ernest Griffith and new daughter, Jean Van Leer, of Lubbock, as well as the Dan Rodgerses who have been visiting here for sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Land visited Sunday in Brownfield, Lamarsa, Big Spring and Colorado City.

Mrs. Bruce Shepherd and children and their guests, Mrs. G. H. Doeling and son of Odessa, were in Lubbock Tuesday.

Mrs. S. C. Eennett of Pauls Valley, Okla., is visiting with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Williams spent Saturday through yesterday in Caddo Mills with Mrs. Williams' parents.

Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Karl and Mrs. Faye Karl visited with relatives in Hamilton over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Roberts, Jr., D. C. Roberts, sr., and Verna Chase visited Loyd Roberts and family in Muleshoe Sunday.

Mrs. Allman and son, Carl, will return to their home in Carbondale, Ill. Monday after spending several months here with Mrs. Allman's sister, Mrs. W. R. Graeber.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Cearley in the Close City community were Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cearley and daughter of Amarillo, Joy Smith of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Butler and daughter of Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Alexander of Lovington, N. M., spent Monday in the Clyde Redman home in the Close City community.

N. J. Lanotte attended the furniture show in Dallas the first of the week.

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**ACROSS**

- 1 Texans need one to travel abroad
- 5 short piece in the Azle News
- 6 TXism: "Ya'll back now, ya hear?"
- 7 TX actor/singer Kristofferson
- 8 historic landmark in Boerne: Ye Kendall
- 9 music you won't hear at a honky tonk
- 12 TXism: "wouldn't know \_\_\_\_\_ mount a stick horse" (dude)
- 17 on the horizon
- 19 TX Trini's "\_\_\_\_\_ a Hammer"
- 21 TX or GA town
- 22 Carswell AFB once housed the B-52 \_\_\_\_\_-fortress"
- 23 TXism: "get your ducks \_\_\_\_\_"
- 28 therefore
- 29 TXism: "rare as \_\_\_\_\_ teeth"
- 30 what a "windbag" is full of (2 wds.)
- 31 slipknot rope loop
- 35 TXism: "long as a country \_\_\_\_\_"
- 36 TX Sam Bass' profession (2 wds.)
- 42 TX or CA town
- 44 TX Gene Autry old TV series: "Range \_\_\_\_\_"
- 46 TX-founded co. before it was Exxon
- 47 TXism: "chrome dome"

**DOWN**

- 1 TX Carol Burnett's TV sidekick
- 2 Ripley's "Believe \_\_\_\_\_"
- 3 seat of Gaines Co.
- 4 TX or IA town
- 9 TXism: "a \_\_\_\_\_ tailed tooter!"
- 10 Sam Houston beat \_\_\_\_\_ Santa Ana at San Jacinto
- 11 org. for TX Kite and Crenshaw
- 12 TXism: "he'll never drown in \_\_\_\_\_ own sweat" (lazy)
- 13 TX Steve Martin film: "Father \_\_\_\_\_"
- 14 barbed or baling
- 15 TXism: "lower \_\_\_\_\_ a snake's belly"
- 16 TXism: "feeling his \_\_\_\_\_" (frisky)
- 18 disfigure
- 20 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_right boys" (police)
- 23 daughter of Gov. Jim Hogg (init.)
- 24 TXism: "close but \_\_\_\_\_ cigar"
- 25 electronic banker
- 26 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ little cane"
- 27 46-across' 1st name: Humble \_\_\_\_\_ Refining Co.
- 32 TXism: "best I ever laid eyes \_\_\_\_\_"
- 33 Travis at Alamo: "I shall never surrender \_\_\_\_\_ retreat"
- 34 TX George Strait's "You Look \_\_\_\_\_ Good in Love"
- 36 TX chip maker
- 37 country McEntire
- 38 TXism: "boring as a fishing trip with \_\_\_\_\_ warden"
- 39 a native Indian tribe of TX
- 40 this Waller was 1st mayor of Austin
- 41 TXism: "behind"
- 42 TXism: "how \_\_\_\_\_"
- 45 Sen. Yarborough (init.)
- 48 "Confederate Colt" \_\_\_\_\_ pistol
- 49 TX Tommy Lee film: "Eyes of Laura \_\_\_\_\_"
- 56 TXism: "\_\_\_\_\_ ol' boy"

A wonderful fact to reflect upon, that every human creature is constituted to be that profound secret and mystery to every other. —Charles Dickens



Mrs Randy Ratheal

### Christy Davis and Randy Ratheal Wed April 7

From The Post Dispatch, April 11, 1990



### MOST BEAUTIFUL

Pat LaDuke Schmidt (above), wife of John Schmidt, formerly of Post, was chosen Most Beautiful Girl when Ranger College students held their elections for favorites for "The Ranger," college yearbook. Mrs. Schmidt is a freshman from O'Brien. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Schmidt of Post.

From The Post Dispatch April 6, 1960



**SOUTHLAND U.I.L. ONE-ACT PLAY CAST** - Competing this year in the Southland One-Act play cast were (back, left to right) Dace Altman, Joel Basinger, Tonya Fields, Janie Anaya, Terry Silver, Mary Jane Amaya, Jessica Niño, (middle, left to right) Dora Anaya, Fred Mendez, Paula Amaya, Teresa Cofield, Tina McCarl, Sharla Allbright, coaches Janet Burnett and Tonya Dunn, (front, left to right) Tonya Purdy, Cori Weaver, Reyes Anaya, Wendy Davenport, Jennifer Smith, Jana Savell and Ladonna Childers. Cori Weaver was named to the All Star Cast and Honorable Mention went to Wendy Davenport and Angela New. Not in photo were Anita Martinez, Beth Parnell and Angela New.

From The Post Dispatch, April 4, 1990



### DESCENDANTS OF PIONEER

Twenty-one descendants of Garza County pioneer Job Davies were among those attending the Duffy's Peak marker dedication Sunday. Job Davies surveyed the four sections he filed on atop the peak. —(Staff Photo)

From The Post Dispatch, April 9, 1970



### TOUR ENDS WITH TEA

The lovely tea table shown here was set at the bank's community room last Wednesday following the Woman's Culture Club's "Tour of Homes." Pictured are (left to right) Mmes. D. H. Koeninger, J. H. Haire, Walter Boren, C. R. Thaxton, M. J. Malouf, T. L. Jones, and R. T. Smith.

From The Post Dispatch April 6, 1960



### DISTRICT CHAMPION GOLFERS

The Post High School golf team, shown here with its coach, Charles Hopkins, will compete in the regional meet at Lubbock April 22-23, after winning the District 3-AA championship. From left to right are Lee Williams, Roger Camp, Hopkins, Leslie Acker, David McCampbell and Mike Cornell.—(Staff Photo.)

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### Card of Thanks

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We would like to thank everyone for all of the phone calls, cards, flowers and food while Chris was in the hospital and after he came home.

A special thanks to Danny and Vicki Cooper for the wonderful welcome home. Most of all thank you for your prayers. Chris and JoAnn Stelzer

Our heartfelt thanks to each one that said a prayer for us during the long illness and loss of our precious Keith. We were uplifted and greatly comforted by them.

We will be forever grateful to everyone for all your kind deeds, words, cards, visits, food, flowers and memorials in his memory.

They were greatly appreciated. May God richly bless you all.

Odee Kemp  
Johnny and Nancy Kemp and family  
Beth and Joe Cook and family  
Jim Kemp and Kelsey

The family of Mattie Perez would like to take this time to show our gratitude and appreciation to all the families and friends who showed their concern and love for

our family at our time of loss. We deeply appreciate everyone and everything that was done for us at this time. Therefore we would like to express our gratitude and tell all of you thank you once again and God Bless each and every one of you!

Sincerely,  
The Perez Family  
The Lopez Family  
The Frausto Family

Thanks to my family and friends for your prayers, visits, cards, flowers and food during my stay in the hospital and since we have been home. A special thanks to Mark and Kristy Odom and their children for all the did to make things easy for us.

Thanks again for your sincere concern and may God bless each of you.  
Ruth Hill  
Billye Lowe

### Personals

Post Independent School District invites the Senior Citizens of the district to come by the Superintendent's office and receive a gift of a complimentary general admissions pass that will admit you to all school functions. (You will be asked to present identification so that a pass can be issued in your name).

**Post Group of Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Meets every Thursday night at the First Presbyterian Church, 901 West 10th at 8 p.m. Closed meetings are held except on the last Thursday of the month, which is an open meeting. Door opens at 7 p.m. and the meeting starts at 7:30 p.m., cake and coffee following the meeting. Anyone who wishes to talk or ask about an alcohol problem, call 495-4152, 495-4185 or 629-4393.

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### Legal Notices

#### Legal Notice - Motley, Floyd, Dickens, Kent, Crosby and Garza Counties

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, § 74.108 (b) and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a referendum on the proposition of whether or not of the

following area of Motley, Floyd, Dickens, Kent, Crosby, and Garza Counties should be transferred from the statutorily designated Northern High Plains and southern High Plains/Caprock Boll Weevil Eradication Zones described at the Texas Agriculture Code, §74.1021 (a) to the Northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone designated at 4 Texas Administrative Code, §3.112: all of Kent County, that part of Garza county that lies below of the Caprock escarpment, that part of Crosby County that lies below the Caprock escarpment, that part of Dickens County that lies below the Caprock escarpment, that part of Floyd county that lies north and east of a line running along FM 97 beginning at the Motley County line; continuing west to the Caprock escarpment; and continuing north along the Caprock escarpment to the Briscoe County line; and that part of Motley County that lies south of a line running along the North Pease River beginning at the intersection of the North Pease River and the Hall county line; continuing southwest to Quitaque Creek; and continuing northwest along Quitaque Creek to the Floyd County line.

If transfer is approved by this referendum, growers in the transferred area shall be subject to payment of a maximum assessment of \$10 per planted row-acre of dryland cotton and \$15 per planted row acre of irrigated cotton, which was approved by the Northern Rolling Plains zone growers to implement a boll-weevil eradication program in the zone. Additionally, if the transfer is approved, growers in the transferred area will be required to pay an assessment for one additional

year after the debt for the Northern Rolling Plains Zone is retired. If the transfer is approved, eradication program activities are scheduled to begin with a fall diapause program this fall.

The referendum to transfer these portions of Motley, Floyd, Dickens, Kent, Crosby and Garza Counties as described above, will be held by mail balloting. Ballots will be mailed by May 9, 2000. All ballots cast by mail must be postmarked no later than midnight May 30, 2000, in order to be valid. Any cotton grower having cotton production in 1999 within the area that is proposed to be transferred, as described above, is eligible to vote. A cotton grower, is defined as an individual, entity or joint operator who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm, or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-described area and do not receive a ballot, please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, telephone 512/463-7593.

### Requests For Proposals

Post Community Housing Association Inc. is requesting proposals for grounds maintenance to include mowing, trimming, edging, clipping and removal involving 24 units of multi-family housing. Response should be per-unit based, involving growing season months of April 15 thru October 15, 2000.

Deadline for consideration: Friday, April 14, 2000. Please submit written proposals to Ms. Frances Conrad, Site manager, 509 N. Ave. S, Post, Texas. Respondent must provide own tools, equipment and transportation.



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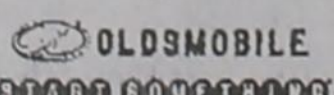
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- '95 Astro Van.....\$7,950
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**Request for Proposals**  
Sealed proposals, addressed to Dr. Bobby Bain, Superintendent, Post Independent School District, P.O. Box 70, Post, Texas 79356 are being received for PLUMBING CONTRACTS ONLY for the new Gymnasium. Proposals will be received in the office of the Construction Manager until 5:00 p.m., April 17, 2000. Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on April 18, 2000, at the Office of the Post I.S.D. Superintendent at which time the proposals will be opened and read publicly in The Post I.S.D. Board Room at Post, Texas. All proposals mailed prior to this date and all inquiries should be to the Construction Manager. Construction is scheduled to begin in the Spring of 2000 and be completed in the summer of 2001.  
D.S.A. Inc.  
P.O. Box 698  
Cleburne, Texas 76033  
817-645-8864  
Metro 477-2139

Proposals received after 2:00 p.m., April 18, 2000, closing time will be returned unopened. Separate contracts and purchase orders will be awarded for the various disciplines of work required. Time on this project is of the utmost importance. Each proposal will be considered based on price, time schedule, and contractors reputation, ability to man the project, experience, and quality of contractors goods or services on each portion of work to be completed. The awarding of proposals will not be made at this time.

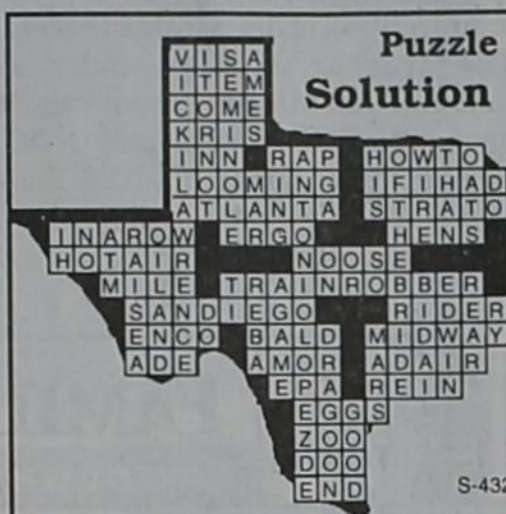
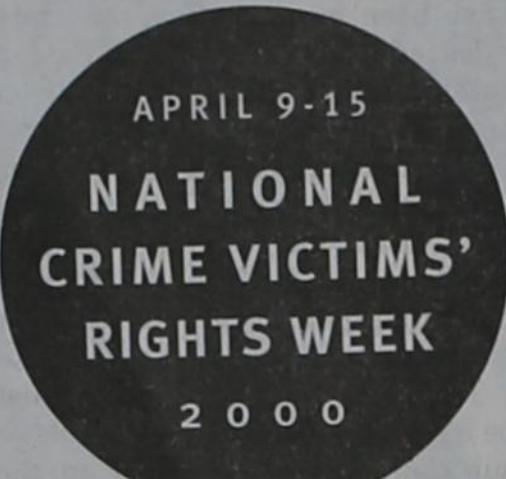
Payment and Performance Bond shall be as follows:

For a contract price of \$25,000 or more, the Contractor will furnish a Payment Bond and a Performance Bond of not less than one hundred (100%) percent of the contract price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and upon payment of all persons supplying the labor or furnishing the materials used on this project. The Contractor shall pay costs of the bonds.

Plans and specifications may be secured from D.S.A., Inc., P.O. Box 702, Cleburne, Texas 76033, 817-645-8864 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday of each week beginning April 10, 2000.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all proposals. No proposals may be withdrawn until the expiration of 30 days from the date proposals are opened.

Sealed Proposals:  
Post Independent School District Dr.  
Bobby Bain, Superintendent  
c/o D.S.A., Inc.  
(Construction Manager)  
P.O. Box 698  
Cleburne, Texas 76033



## Charles Stitt promoted to Major in USAF

Charles G. Stitt has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of major. Stitt is a flight commander and combat plans officer assigned to the 614th Space Operations Squadron at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Lompoc, Calif. The major has served in the military for 11 years. He is the son of Sherry Fortney and stepson of Paul Dale of Middletown, Ohio. His father, David M. Stitt, resides at 17991 S.W. 115th Ave., Tualatin, Ore.

The major's wife, Jennie, is the daughter of James L. and Virginia L. Mock of 710 W. Fifth St., Post, Texas. Stitt graduated in 1980 from Preble Shawnee High School, Camden, Ohio, and received a bachelor's degree in 1988 from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

He earned a master's degree in 1997 from the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks.

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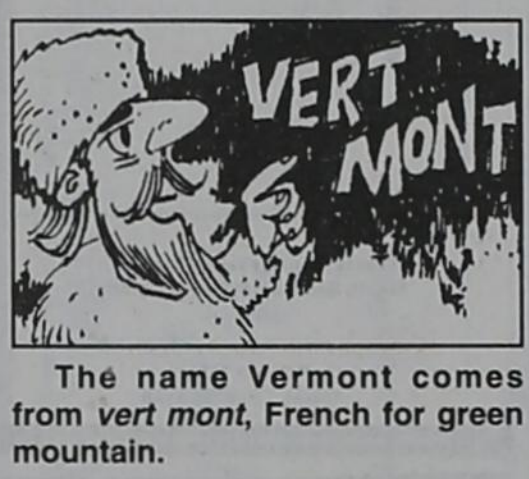
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### GARZA COUNTY JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

**Job Title:** Secretary (Field Secretary, Multiple Services)  
**Location:** Texas Department of Public Safety / Garza Co. Constable's Office-Post, Tx  
**Posting Date:** April 4, 2000  
**Closing Date:** April 14, 2000  
**Openings:** 1  
**HRS/Week:** 40

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**  
**AGE:** 18 **EDUCATION:** HS Grad/GED **Experience:** 12 Months  
**Clerical Test:** Yes **Typing Test:** 45wpm (corrected speed)

**Minimum Qualifications:** Graduation from a standard senior high school or the equivalent with 12 months minimum general office/secretarial work experience which included routine use of a personal computer with processing and spreadsheet software.

**Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:** Knowledge of pertinent record-retention/ record-keeping systems and generally accepted office procedure/practices. Skill in the proper use of English grammar, punctuation, and spelling and in using standard office equipment including a personal computer with word processing and data base software, computer terminal, electric typewriter, calculator, copier, shredder and facsimile machines. Ability to: compose routine business correspondence; perform multiple tasks simultaneously in a timely manner; obtain, record, and disseminate accurate information from telephone conversations; and maintain confidentiality of information encountered in work activities.

**Job Duties:** Performs responsible secretarial and routine administration support work. Prepares reports/forms/memoranda/etc. Performs data entry and generates statistical summaries. Answers correspondence and telephone calls and procedural and general information questions. Performs related duties as assigned.

**Required Testing:** Applicants must qualify on the clerical aptitude test and the typing test with a minimum of forty-five (45) words per minute corrected speed. It is the responsibility of the applicant to make arrangements for any necessary testing. All necessary testing must be completed no later than the FIRST AVAILABLE day after the job closing date.

**Other:** Felony conviction will be cause for rejection. Any history of actions or activities deemed illegal or inappropriate may be cause for rejection. All applicable Garza County policies and procedures will be adhered to.

This position will close at 5:00 P.M. on April 14, 2000. Applications must be submitted prior to this time

Why pay hospital tax when we have no hospital?

Your vote Saturday, May 6th in the Garza County Hospital District election will determine your future tax burden.

**VOTE FOR A CLEAR CHOICE!**

We contract with you, that if elected:

1. We will do everything legally within our authority to hold an election so that taxpayers may decide whether or not to dissolve the Garza County Hospital District.
2. We will follow the law as it is written, not as it is interpreted.

**VOTE FOR COMMON SENSE!**

**VOTE FOR**

**Betty Nelson Striblin**

**Maria Bertha Fuentes**

Vote on May 6, 2000 - Post Community Center  
Early ballots at Garza County Hospital District Office  
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# The Post Dispatch 495-2816

## Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 17th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

Who must file a rendition? You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you? The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1999. The district will look at your appraisal before assigning a value in 2000.

What's the deadline? The last day for filing 2000 renditions is April 17. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be post-marked. If mailing, you can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 17 deadline.

Where do you file? File renditions with your local appraisal district at: Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

For more information stop in or call for a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities" or contact: Comptroller's Property Tax Division, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

## A variety of homestead exemptions could lower your property taxes!

A homestead exemption lowers the property taxes on your home by lowering its taxable value. If your home is valued at \$50,000 and you receive a \$15,000 homestead exemption, your home will be taxed as if it were worth \$35,000.

Who qualifies for an exemption? Anyone who owned a home on January 1 (and used it as a primary residence on that date) is entitled to a \$15,000 homestead exemption to lower school taxes this year... and it doesn't matter if your home is a house, condominium or mobile home.

Are there other exemptions available? If you're disabled... or if you're 65 years of age or older... you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home.

Do I have to apply each year? No, if you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1999, you won't need to reapply for 2000 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2000. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled during 1999, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file? File applications by May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at: Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

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## "Productivity appraisal" may lower the property taxes on your farm, ranch or timber land!

Texas law allows farmers, ranchers and timber growers to pay property taxes based upon the "production value" of their land rather than on market value. This "productivity appraisal" means qualified land is taxed based on its ability to produce crops, livestock or timber—not on its value on the real estate market. And it can mean substantial property tax savings.

When is the application deadline? If your land has never had a productivity appraisal or you are a new owner, you must apply to your local appraisal district by May 1 to take advantage of this benefit on your 2000 property taxes. You may get up to 60 extra days if you have a good reason and ask for it by May 1. If you miss this deadline, you may still be able to apply, but you will pay a penalty. Check with your appraisal district office.

Do you need to reapply annually? If your land already receives agricultural or timber productivity appraisal, you normally don't need to reapply unless the chief appraiser requires you to do so. If a new application is required, the appraisal district will notify you by mail.

For more information, call or come by: Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

We'll be happy to answer your questions and provide you a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities" or contact: Comptroller's Property Tax Division, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

## Varías exenciones de residencia pueden rebajar sus impuestos de propiedad!

Una exención de residencia reduce sus impuestos de propiedad. Por ejemplo, si su residencia tiene un valor de \$15,000, Ud. recibe una exención de \$15,000, sus impuestos se calcularán como si el valor de su residencia fuera \$0.

¿Quién califica para una exención? Cualquier dueño de una residencia principal el día 1 de enero tiene derecho a una exención de residencia de \$15,000 este año para rebajar sus impuestos escolares... y no importa si la residencia es casa, condominio o su móvil. (Los condados, municipios y distritos especiales de impuestos también pueden ofrecer exenciones de residencia.)

¿Hay otras exenciones? Si Ud. es incapacitado... si tiene 65 años o más... tiene derecho a una exención adicional de \$10,000 en sus impuestos escolares de propiedad. Y si Ud. califica para la exención para los que cumplen 65 años, también tiene derecho a un "techo máximo" permanente en sus impuestos escolares de residencia. (El techo máximo no tiene que ver con impuestos de propiedad de los condados o municipios, y esas entidades pueden ofrecer otras exenciones.) La exención para los que cumplen 65 años y el techo máximo se pueden transferir al esposo/esposa sobreviviente si el día tienen 55 años de edad y es dueño/dueña de la casa en donde vive. También el dueño de una casa nueva que tiene más de 65 años puede transferir un porcentaje de crédito máximo de los impuestos escolares que le fueron en su domicilio viejo.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año? No, si Ud. recibió una exención de residencia en 1999, no hay necesidad de solicitarla de nuevo en 2000... al menos que se le pida su jefe de valoraciones. Sin embargo, si no ha recibido una exención en su residencia actual... o si ha cambiado de domicilio... tendrá que solicitar una exención para 2000. Si Ud. cumplió los 65 años durante este año, tiene hasta un año de esta fecha para solicitar una nueva exención. Y si cumplió los 65 años o resultó incapacitado en 1999, tendrá que solicitar las exenciones adicionales.

¿Dónde y cuándo debo solicitar mis exenciones? Su solicitud debe llegar en su oficina local del distrito de valoraciones antes del día 1 de mayo. Si necesita más tiempo, favor de ponerse en contacto con nosotros antes: Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

Si desea más información, visítenos y obtenga una copia gratis de "Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad en Texas: Derechos, Recursos y Responsabilidades del Contribuyente de Impuestos" o escriba a: Comptroller's Property Tax Division, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

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## "La valoración productiva" puede reducir los impuestos de su terreno agrícola, ganadero o maderero!

La ley de Texas permite a los granjeros, rancheros y madereros pagar sus impuestos de propiedad basándose en "la valoración productiva" del terreno calificado... sea en su habilidad de producir cosecha, ganado o madera... y no de su valor en el mercado actual. Y esto le puede ahorrar en sus impuestos de propiedad.

¿Cuál es la hora del cierre? Si su terreno nunca ha tenido una valoración productiva, o si Ud. es nuevo dueño, debe solicitarla a su distrito de valoraciones para el día 1 de mayo, para recibir el beneficio en sus impuestos de propiedad de 2000. Puede recibir hasta 60 días más si tiene una buena razón y si solicita el tiempo adicional antes del 1 de mayo. Si pasa de esta fecha, es posible que todavía la podrá obtener, pero pagará una multa. Pregunte en la oficina de su distrito de valoraciones.

¿Debo solicitarla cada año? Por lo general, si su propiedad ya recibe una valoración productiva agrícola o maderera, no hay necesidad de pedir una nueva cada año... al menos que se le pida su jefe de valoraciones. Si una solicitud nueva se requiere, el distrito de valoraciones le mandará un aviso por correo.

Para más información, llámenos o visítenos: Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, P.O. Drawer F, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

Con mucho gusto contestaremos a sus preguntas... le proporcionaremos una copia gratis de "Impuestos Sobre la Propiedad en Texas: Derechos, Recursos y Responsabilidades del Contribuyente de Impuestos" o escriba a: Comptroller's Property Tax Division, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

# Over-the-counter medicines are now exempt from state sales tax

Starting April 1, Texas consumers will no longer pay sales tax on most non-prescription pills, potions and ointments, according to information from the state comptroller's office.

Approximately 100,000 products manufactured by about 800 companies qualify for the sales tax exemption. The following are examples of product categories that will be exempt from the sales tax. The list does not include all tax-exempt drugs and medicines, but is intended for use as a guideline:

- Allergy treatment products
- Analgesics
- Antacids
- Anti-diarrhea and anti-nausea products
- Anti-microbial products
- Anti-rheumatic products
- Anti-vomiting products and vomiting inducements
- Blood fortifiers (hematinics)
- Bronchodilator and anti-asthmatic products
- Cold remedies
- Cough suppressants
- Dandruff products
- Dental products (medicated)
- Ear care products
- Eye care and contact lens products
- Hemorrhoid products
- Laxatives

"Exempting over-the-counter medicines from the state tax is long overdue," Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander said. "Prescription drugs have been exempt since the state sales tax was enacted in 1961. Paying sales taxes on non-prescription medicine is a bitter pill to swallow."

"The tax burden on working Texas families is too high. This new tax exemption on over-the-counter medicines is a way to ease the tax burden and help families stretch their budgets a little farther."

To be tax exempt, a product must be a drug or medicine: an article or substance intended for use in the diagnosis, care, mitigation, treatment or prevention of disease or suffering. The drug or medicine must be intended for human use and must have a National Drug Code (NDC) number issued pursuant to U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulations.

- Prophylactics
- Sedatives and sleep aids
- Stimulants
- Sunburn prevention and treatment products
- Vitamins and minerals
- Wound care dressings and supplies

"Any product that has an NDC number, meets the definition of a drug or medicine or prevents disease must be tax exempt," Rylander said. "It's not a matter of interpretation, it's a matter of the law."

The sales tax exemption does not apply to medical equipment, appliances and devices such as thermometers, heating pads, toothbrushes and dental floss. However, the legislature voted specifically to apply the new sales tax exemption to blood glucose monitoring strips. Previous law exempts orthopedic braces, such as neck and back braces, crutches, wheelchairs, hearing aids and their batteries, hypodermic needles and syringes from the sales tax. That will not change.

More information about the sales tax exemption on over-the-counter medicine is available on the comptroller's web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx94\\_155.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/tx94_155.html) or by calling 1-800-252-5555.



## More Loving Ways Of Loving

(NAPS)—There are many ways of loving and some are more loving than others.

You can love a person for a day or a week. Some people love each other for a season. When the season is over, they do not care much for each other any more.

The season may be summertime, a happy time in our lives. Autumn, a time of falling leaves and warm thoughts. It could be the dead and loneliness of winter or the awakening of loving at the first signs of spring. Seasonal loving is but a brief moment, and then the loving is gone. It can result in emptiness, sadness and pain—even a broken heart.

However, there is another kind of loving far more loving than these. It is what I call "four season loving."

"I will love you until the rivers run still." This loving is a life's work. It requires focus, energy, romance and perseverance...and it is worth it.

This is the most loving kind of loving. It is the kind every one of us wants in our heart of hearts. It

doesn't just happen. We have to work at it. If we love only on a seasonal basis, we need to know seasonal love is not very loving.

Perhaps we misread the signs of the seasons. Perhaps we don't know how to turn the switch to "All Seasons."

But more and more people are beginning to realize there is something wrong when we love only for a season. It is hurting us more than helping. Please don't let anyone convince you that you are only worthy of being loved for a season. Nonsense.

Four Season Loving is where there is plenty of commitment and fidelity, encouragement, forgiveness and fun. It is the kind of loving that is much more loving than any other kind.

Love is patient. Love is kind. It is not envious. It does not seek revenge. It rejoices in what is good and rejects what is bad. Yes, love is for all seasons.

Father Val Peter is executive director of Boys Town USA, the famous home for troubled boys and girls in Boys Town, Neb., and in California, New York, Louisiana, Texas, Florida, Nevada, Rhode Island, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Georgia and Washington, D.C.



Father Val Peter

## TAXES ON APPRECIATING HOME VALUE

Texas homeowners may postpone paying the current property taxes on the appreciating value of their homes. Under a new state law that began in 1998, homeowners may take advantage of a payment option called "residence homestead tax deferral" by signing an affidavit at the Garza Central Appraisal District Office.

This special form of tax relief allows homeowners to pay the taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homesteads, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homesteads. The remaining taxes are deferred and accrue interest at an annual rate of 8 percent. The homeowner may receive the deferral only if the taxes are paid on 105 percent of last year's value. A homeowner may not receive the deferral if the home's taxes go delinquent.

The new deferral applies to property taxes beginning with the tax year following the first year that the individual qualifies the property for residence homestead exemptions. Homeowners who qualified for residence homestead exemptions in 1999 may use the deferral beginning in tax year 2000.

The deferral process would also apply to this homeowner's city and county taxes and for any other special taxing units in which the homestead was located. The homeowner may defer taxes in any of the taxing units—even if some of these units do not offer the homeowner a homestead exemption.

Once a homeowner files the tax deferral affidavit with the appraisal district, the chief appraiser will notify the taxing units that tax the homestead. No taxing unit can start or continue a lawsuit for the deferred taxes as long as that person owns and lives in that home.

The tax deferral for appreciating home value only postpones paying a portion of the taxes on the home; it does not cancel them. During the deferral time, the deferred taxes and interest of 8 percent per year continue to add up. When the homeowner no longer owns and lives in the home, the taxes become due. If the taxes are not paid, taxing units can then sue to collect all the deferred taxes and interest.

There is no penalty on the unpaid taxes during the deferral time. If the taxes remain unpaid more than 90 days after the deferral ends, a taxing unit may charge an added penalty—up to 15 percent—if the account goes to a delinquent tax attorney.

Homeowners who add an improvement to their homesteads must pay the taxes on the new improvements plus 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value. A new improvement includes a change to the residence homestead that is made to the property after the preceding year's appraisal and that increases the home's market value.

Residence homestead tax deferrals are available at the appraisal district office. The homeowner should fill out the form and have the signature witnessed by a notary public. For more information, taxpayers may contact the Garza Central Appraisal District, 124 East Main, Post, Texas 79356, (806) 495-3518.

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